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SELF-ALIGNED CONTACTS FOR NANOSHEET FIELD EFFECT TRANSISTOR DEVICES

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SELBSTAUSGERICHTETE KONTAKTE FÜR NANOFOLIENFELDEFFEKTTTRANSISTORVORRICHTUNGEN

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Abstract (en)  
A method for forming a semiconductor device, comprising forming a first transistor structure and a second transistor structure separated by a trench. The first and the second transistor structures comprise a plurality of stacked nanosheets forming a channel structure, and a source portion and a drain portion horizontally separated by the channel structure. A first and a second spacer is formed in the trench at sidewalls of the second transistor structures, both protruding above a top surface of the transistor structures. The method comprises applying a first mask layer including an opening exposing the first spacer at a first source/drain portion of the first transistor structure and covering the second spacer, partially etching the exposed first spacer through the opening, exposing at least parts of a sidewall of the first source/drain portion of the first transistor structure, and removing the mask layer. The method further comprises depositing a contact material over the transistor structures and the first and second spacer, filling the trench and contacting the first source/drain portion of the first transistor structure, and etching back the contact material layer below a top surface of the second spacer.

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